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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Trost and Hachiya

SERIAL NO.: 09/498,701

FILED: February 7, 2000

**FOR: CATALYTIC COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS
FOR ASYMMETRIC ALLYLIC ALKYLATION**

EXAMINER: R. Desai

ART UNIT: 1625

Amendment and RCE

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed December 11, 2000 in the above-identified application, please amend the application as indicated below. Enclosed herewith are: a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114, a Petition for a two-month extension of time, a Declaration under 37 CFR §1.132, and the requisite fees totaling \$1100 (\$710 for RCE and \$390 for time extension).

In the Specification:

Please replace the second paragraph on page 1 with the rewritten paragraph below. Also enclosed, starting on a separate page following this response, is a marked copy of the amended paragraph showing all changes relative to the previous version.

--This invention was made with government support under contract 5R37 GM13598-30 awarded by the National Institutes of Health and under contract CHE-9510472 awarded by the National Science Foundation. Accordingly, the United States Government has certain rights in this invention.--

In the Claims:

Please replace claims 17, 56, and 57 with the rewritten claims below, cancel claim 23, and add claims